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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

RE: Case No. 2005-00497 Louisville Gas and Electric Company

I, Beth O'Donnell, Executive Director of the Public Service Commission, hereby certify that the enclosed attested copy of the Commission's Order in the above case was served upon the addressee by U.S. Mail on April 26, 2006.

**Executive Director** 

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## COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

## BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

AN EXAMINATION OF THE	)	
APPLICATION OF THE FUEL	)	
ADJUSTMENT CLAUSE OF	)	CASE NO.
LOUISVILLE GAS AND ELECTRIC	)	2005-00497
COMPANY FROM MAY 1, 2005 TO	)	
OCTOBER 31, 2005	)	
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## ORDER

Pursuant to Administrative Regulation 807 KAR 5:056, the Commission, on December 27, 2005, established this case to review and evaluate the operation of the fuel adjustment clause ("FAC") of Louisville Gas and Electric Company ("LG&E") for the 6 months ended October 31, 2005.

As part of this review, LG&E, pursuant to Commission Order, submitted certain information concerning its compliance with Administrative Regulation 807 KAR 5:056, and, on February 23, 2006, filed supplemental information in response to a Commission Staff data request. A public hearing was held on March 16, 2006.

The Commission has previously established LG&E's base fuel cost at 13.49 mills per kWh.<sup>1</sup> A review of LG&E's monthly fuel clause filings shows that the actual fuel cost incurred for the 6-month period under review ranged from a low of 13.41 mills in May 2005 to a high of 17.39 mills in August 2005, with a 6-month average of 15.56 mills.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Case No. 2004-00466, An Examination by the Public Service Commission of the Application of the Fuel Adjustment Clause of Louisville Gas and Electric Company from November 1, 2002 to October 31, 2004, Order dated June 23, 2005.

The Commission, having considered the evidence of record and being otherwise sufficiently advised, finds no evidence of improper calculation or application of LG&E's FAC charges or improper fuel procurement practices.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the charges and credits billed by LG&E through its FAC for the period May 1, 2005 to October 31, 2005 are approved.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 26th day of April, 2006.

By the Commission

Executive Director